Mr. S. Piraviperumal Pillai (*Commerce and Industry, South*): May I know whether they practise before the Munsiff's court?

President: They practise before themselves.

Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai (*Chirayinkil* cum *Nedumangad*): May I know whether Government are aware of the fact that cases in which Sirkar also is interested have to be postponed on account of the non-availability of the Sirkar Vakils because they were engaged in private practice?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: Such cases have not been brought to the notice of Government.

Mr. Kochikal P. Balakrishnan Tampi: May I ask whether efficiency will not be increased by allowing private practice?

Rao Sahb Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: Quite so.

Mr. Komilezhathu Sankaran (*Nominated*): In view of the fact that Sirkar Vakils should not have private practice, do not the Government think it advisable to do away with private practice?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: That is a matter of opinion.

Mr. K. N. Kesavan Namputiripad (*Jenmies*): May I ask whether the High Court have recommended that the age limit for the appointmant of vakils as judges should be raised from 40 to 45?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: Yes, Sir.

Mr. K. N. Kesavan Namputiripad: May I know what action has been taken on that recommendation?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: Government have not accepted that recommendation.

Inspection of subordinate courts by judges of the High Court.

28. ***Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether all the subordinate courts are now inspected by the High Court Judges once a year, and if not, at what intervals:

(*b*) whether they have any control over the programme of inspection fixed by the High Court Judges every year; and

(*c*) who conducts such inspection works in the Madras Presidency, and whether their Lordships of the Madras High Court have to do any such inspection work?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: (*a*) No. The District, Munsiffs' and Magistrates' Courts are inspected once in every two or three years, and sometimes at shorter intervals.

(*b*) No.

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(*c*) Ordinarily the District Judges and occasionally the High Court Judges.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: With reference to part (*a*), may I know from the member whether it is due to want of time that the High Court Judges are not able to inspect all the courts annually?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: It may be partly due to that. It may also be due to the fact that there is no necessity for the inspection of Munsiffs' courts because these are now inspected by the District Judges. Therefore, the High Court Judges may not consider it necessary to inspect all the Munsiffs' courts.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I point out to the honourable member that the District Judges are not inspecting the Munsiffs' courts?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: Sir, I stand corrected. I thought that was the case.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: If it is due to want of time, may I ask whether Government think it will not be advisable to insist on District Judges inspecting all the Munsiffs' courts under them once in every year?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: It is a matter for consideration whether such a course is feasible. Government will consider it.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: With reference to part (*b*), I want to know whether Government have scrutinised the programme of the High Court Judges for touring work published in the Gazette?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: Government do not scrutinise the programme.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether the T. A. bills submitted by these judges are scrutinised by the Account Officer?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: Yes, sir.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether any objectionable features have been noticed by Government in the matter of their touring?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: Not, as far as I am aware.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvarn Pillai: May I know whether it is a fact that these programmes are arranged in a most unsatisfactory manner? I will illustrate this by a concrete instance. Sometimes a judge arranges to inspect a Nagercoil Court.

President: Ask the question, please. No statement is allowed.

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Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether it is a fact that the touring programme is so arranged as to get the maximum T. A. and whether Government are checking that?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: I do not accept the statement, sir.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): May I know whether most of the inspection work is conducted during vacation so that the courts that are being inspected are not sitting?

Rao Sahib Dr. N Kunjan Pillai: Yes.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: May I know whether the honourable judges will be able to find out how the Munsiffs are conducting cases?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: If they want to see how the Munsiffs are conducting cases they will make surprise visits when the courts are sitting.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: May I know whether it is not necessary to issue circular orders asking the honourable judges to inspect the courts when these are sitting?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: It may be considered.

Employees in the Rubber Factory.

29. ***Mr. E P. Varghese:** Will the Government be pleased to furnish a caste-war list of employees in the Government Rubber Factory excluding Europeans?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: A caste-war list of employees in the Rubber Factory is placed on the table.

Mr. E. P. Varghese: What is the total number of employees?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: 9.

Mr. E. P. Verghese: What is the number of Christians?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: 2.

Mr. E. P. Varghese: May I know whether there is any Latin Catholic?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: I don't know. There is one named D. De Couser. I do not know whether he is a Latin Catholic?

Mr. E. P. Varghese: May I know whether any minimum qualification is fixed for recruitment in the Rubber Factory?

President: It is not an office. It is a factory. The qualifications must be in keeping with the particular appointments.

Mr. E. P. Verghese: May I know whether any technical qualifications have been prescribed?

* Vide Appendix No. 1, page 214.

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